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SUBJECT: TACHAI CAMPAIGN FOCUS ON SHARPENED STRUGGLE AGAINST  
"CAPITALIST LINE".

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1. WHILE EARLIER PRC MATERIALS ON TOP-LEVEL NATIONAL CONFERENCE  
AT TACHAI WHICH BEGAN SEPTEMBER 15 EMPHASIZED  
ITS CALL FOR ACHIEVING FARM MECHANIZATION BY  
1980 (SEE REFTEL), SEVERAL MORE RECENT REPORTS  
FOCUS ON IMPORTANCE OF SPEEDING ORGANIZATION TRANSFORMATION OF  
COUNTRYSIDE ALONG TACHAI MODEL.

2. IN LENGTHLY COMMENTARY ON CONFERENCE AND ON SIGNIFICANCE ON  
TACHAI MOVEMENT, OCTOBER ISSUE OF "RED FLAG" DOES NOT REFER

TO TASK OF REALIZING FARM MECHANIZATION UNTIL LAST PARA. AND  
THEN ONLY BRIEFLY. COMMUNES WHICH ONLY LEARNED "SUPERFICIAL THINGS"  
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FROM TACHAI, SUCH AS METHODS OF PRODUCTION, HARDLY BENEFITTED--

ARTICLE POINTS OUT--AND THEIR PHYSICAL CONDITIONS AS WELL AS  
PEOPLE'S MENTALITY REMAINED BASICALLY AS BEFORE.

3. INSTEAD FUNDAMENTAL LESSON OF TACHAI--RED FLAG  
STATES-- IS NEED TO PRESS STRUGGLE IN FAVOR OF REVOLUTION-  
ARY LINE AND AGAINST REVISITONIST, CAPITALIST LINE IN ALL  
AREAS OF AGRICULTURE OPERATIONS, INCLUDING "USE OF LABOR  
FORCES WITHIN COLLECTIVE ECONOMY, PREPARATION FOR PLANTING,  
CHANNELS THROUGH WHICH AGRICULTURAL AND SIDELINE PRODUCTS  
ARE SOLD, DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNE AND BRIGADE-RUN  
ENTERPRISES AND DISTRUBTUTION OF COLLECTIVE INCOME." KEY  
TO SUCCESS IN STRUGGLE IS CAPABLE AND ENERGETIC LEADERSHIP  
AT COUNTRY PARTY COMMITTEE LEVEL, ABLE TO MARSHAL SUPPORT  
OF POOR AND LOWER-MIDDLE PEASANTS, AND TO CONTROL TENDENCIES  
TOWARD "SMALLSCALE AND PRIVATE PRODUCTION".

4. OCTOBER COMMENTARY FOLLOWS UPON ARTICLE IN AUGUST ISSUE  
OF "RED FLAG" CRITIZING IN UNUSUALLY SHARP TONE CONTINUED  
"SERIOUS CAPITALIST TENDENCIES IN SOME PLACES IN THE COUNTRY-  
SIDE", AND LACK OF APPRECIATION "BY LEADING GROUPS THERE" FOR  
NEED TO STRUGGLE AGAINST SUCH TENDENCIES. ARTICLE CONTAINS  
SERIOUS WARNING AGAINST COUNTRYSIDE"DEGENERATION INTO COLLECTIVE  
CAPITALISM" UNDER INFULENCE OF WELL-TO-DO PEASANTS AND PRIVATE  
TRADERS.

5. ORGANIZATIONAL TRANSFORMATION WAS ALSO PRINCIPLE THEME  
OF SPEECH TO NATIONAL TACHAI CONFERENCE BY KUO FENG-LIEN  
SECRETARY OF TACHAI BRIGADE'S COMMUNIST  
PARTY BRANCH. NCNA QUOTES HER  
AS ATTRIBUTING TACHAI SUCCESS ABOVE ALL "TO CONSTANT AND  
PERSISTANT STRUGGLE AGAINST CAPITALIST ROAD", INCLUDING  
LIU SHAO-CHI REVISIONIST LINE. FOR EXAMPLE, "IN  
HANDLING RELATIONS BETWEEN COLLECTIVE ACCUMULATION AND  
DISTRUBUTION OF INCOME AMONG COMMUNE MEMBERS", KUO FENG-LIEN  
POINTED OUT, TAHCI ALWAYS STTOD BY PRINCIPLE OF EXPANDING  
AND STRENGTHENING COLLECTIVE ECONOMY.

6. PROVINCIAL AUTHORITIES WHO ATTENDED CONFERENCE AT TACHAI  
ARE APPARENTLY GIVING CONSIDERABLE EMPHASIS TO THIS ISSUE IN  
THEIR REPORTS TO CONSTITUENCIES. KUNMING YUNNAN PROVINCIAL  
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SERVICE OF OCTOBER 6 REPORTS CCP COMMITTEE TELEPHONE CONFERENCE  
IN WHICH CADRES WERE URGED TO "ACTIVELY UNFOLD STRUGGLES BETWEEN  
THE TWO CLASSES AND TWO LINES, CRUTICIZE CAPITALIST TENDENCIES  
AND BOURGEOIS FACTIONALISM AND... CORRECT THE IDEOLOGICAL  
LINE OF LEADERSHIP AT ALL LEVELS." SZECHWAN, KWNAGTUNG AND HUPEH  
CADRES WERE ALSO TOLD THAT "BASIC LESSON OF TACHAI" IS ACTIVE  
STRUGGLE AGAINST CAPITALIST TRENDS (SEE RESEPCTIVE PROVINCIAL  
SERVICES FOR OCTOBER 5 AND 7).

7. COMMENT: DEMAND FOR RESTRICTION OF "BOURGEOIS RIGHTS" IN COUNTRYSIDE IS OF COURSE NOT NEW SUBJECT (SEE HONG KONG A-210 OF OCTOBER 6, 1975) IT WOULD BE PREMATURE TO CONCLUDE FROM ATTENTION SUBJECT APPARENTLY RECEIVED AT TACHAI CONFERENCE AND FROM SUBSEQUENT COMMENTARY IN PRINCIPLE IDEOLOGICAL PUBLICATION THAT ANY DRASTIC CHANGE OF POLICY CONCERNING REALTIVELY RELAXED PRACTICES STILL PREVAILING IN MUCH OF COUNTRYSIDE IS IMMINENT-- PARTICULARLY SINCE SOME MATERIAL REFER TO ORGANIZATIONAL TRANSFORMATION AS LONG PROCESS AND NOTE THAT "IMPORTANCE POLICIES WHICH DEAL WITH SYSTEM OF OWNERSHIP AND DISTRIBUTION MUST BE HANDLED WITH CAUTION. NEVERTHELESS, THERE IS ENOUGH HERE TO SUGGEST AT LEAST SOME TOP-LEVEL SENTIMENT IN FAVOR OF SPEED-UP IN ORGANIZATIONAL TRANSFORMATION OF COUNTRYSIDE, PERHAPS IN SUCH AREAS AS STANDARDIZING WORK-POINT DISTRIBUTION ALONG LINES OF TACHAI MODEL, LIMITING INCOME DISTRIBUTION VERSUS COLLECTIVE ACCUMULATION LIMITING PRIVATE SIDELINE OCCUPATIONS INCLUDING TRADING; ENHANCING ROLE OF PRODUCTION BRIGADES; AND EVEN RESTRICTING PRIVATE PLOTS. NEED FOR SPEEDING MECHANIZATION OF AGRICULTURAL WHICH WAS UNDOUBTLY ALSO A MAIN THEME OF THACHAI CONFERENCE-CLOSELY INTERCONNECTS, OF COURSE, WITH THEME OF SHARPENED STRUGGLE IN THAT LARGER ACCUMULATION OF COLLECTIVE CAPITAL WILL BE NEEDED TO BUY MACHINERY, AND BRIGADES ARE ORGANIZATIONALLY BETTER EQUIPPED TO HANDLE MACHINERY.

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